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A DIGEST OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIANA, contained in the eight volumes of Blackford, and the first seven volumes comprising the two of Carter's and five of Porter's, Indiana Reports. By SAMUEL E. PERKINS, one of the Judges of the Court, Indianapolis, Indiana. Indiana State Sentinel Co., Printers. 1858. pp. 869.

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